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SUBJECT: REPORTED NEW CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO

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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL BELIEVED RELIABLE TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER JUNE 6 THAT CZECHOSLOVAK CAREER DIPLOMAT VLADIMIR PAVLICEK HAD BEEN NAMED AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO, BUT THAT AGREEMENT HAD NOT YET BEEN GRANTED. PREVIOUSLY WE HAD HEARD FROM OTHER SOURCES THAT PAVLICEK WAS TO RECEIVE UNIDENTIFIED EMBASSY IN LATIN AMERICA.

2. PAVLICEK, ON WHOM CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON, WAS PREVIOUSLY CHIEF OF MISSION (MINISTER) IN MEXICO IN 1953-55. HE HAS ALSO SERVED AS CHIEF OF MISSION IN TIRANA, BUENO AIRES, HAVANA AND ADDIS ABABA. HE HAS SERVED IN MFA IN PRAGUE SINCE 1971, FIRST AS HEAD OF SIXTH DEPARTMENT (ALL WESTERN HEMISPHERE) AND SINCE 1973 AS HEAD OF NEW NINTH DEPARTMENT (LATIN AMERICA).

3. PAVLICEK WAS ALWAYS CORRECT AND IN GENERAL AFFABLE IN DEALINGS WITH THIS EMBASSY, BUT NEVER IMPRESSED US AS A BRILLIANT OFFICER. HE SUPPORTED DUBCEK IN 1968, BEING THEN ASSIGNED TO PRAGUE. DURING SUBSEQUENT TOUR IN ADDIS HE APPARENTLY
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CONSIDERED DEFECTION, BUT SINCE RETURN TO PRAGUE

IN 1971 HAS TO ALL APPEARANCES WORKED FAITHFULLY
FOR REGIME LED BY HUSAK, WHOM HE CLAIMS AS FRIEND.
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